

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PROG, OAU, TO

SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING,  
LOME FEB. 22-23: TOGOLESE VIEWS

REF: STATE 032901

1. MFA OFFICIAL TOLD EMBASSY THAT PRIMARY PURPOSE OF OAU FOREIGN  
MINISTER MEETING WOULD BE TO APPROVE BUDGET. OTHER MATTERS WOULD  
ONLY COME UP UNOFFICIALLY.

2. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY'S ESTIMATE OF WHERE GOT WILL STAND ON  
ISSUES LISTED AS OF INTEREST TO DEPARTMENT IN REFTEL:

A. RECOGNITION OF ZIMBABWE PATRIOTIC FRONT: GOT WILL NOT TAKE  
LEAD ON THIS AND GO ALONG WITH ANY CONSENSUS.

B. SPANISH SAHARA: GOT RECOGNIZES POLISARIO BECAUSE OF ANALOGY  
IT SEES WITH TOGOLAND ISSUE, BUT PROBABLY WISHES QUESTION WOULD  
GO AWAY SINCE IT ELEMENT OF STRAIN WITH OTHERWISE FRIENDLY COUNTRIES  
SUCH AS MAURITANIA.

C. ARAB-AFRICAN RELATIONS: TOGO STILL HOPEFUL THAT CLOSE AFRICAN  
ARAB RELATIONS WILL OPEN NEW SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE.

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D. POSITION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA: GOT WAS VERY UPSET BY ANGOLA  
AND RESULTING INCREASE IN SOVIET INFLUENCE. THEREFORE, GOT  
SUPPORTS EFFORTS FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS THESE QUESTIONS.

E. KOREA: GOT WILL CONTINUE FULL SUPPORT OF NORTH KOREA.

F. MIDDLE EAST: WILL GO ALONG WITH OAU CONSENSUS.

3. TOGOLESE POSITIONS ON OTHER TOPICS OUTLINED REFTEL ARE  
EITHER UNDEFINED OR NOT AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY WITHOUT MAKING  
SPECIFIC DEMARCHE.

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